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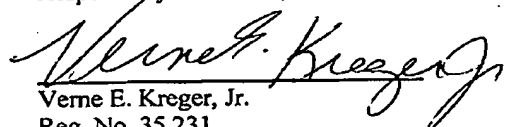
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO
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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2004 for three (3) month(s) May 11, 2004 to August 11, 2004. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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